AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, lines 18-25, please amend the last paragraph on page 1 commencing on line 18 to read as follows: --It is generally known that women's shoes with heel heights of one inch and above cause distortions of the wearer's feet during wear which, in turn, over a period of wear, are the cause of bunions, tailor's bunions, hammertoes and other foot problems. This is largely due to a close fit in the toe box of conventional shoes which have heels of above one inch and the tendency of the feet in their normal wear to be urged into their toe box so that the toe spaces of the shoes constrict the toes of the wearer.--

Page 5, lines 12-19, please amend the paragraph commencing on line 12 of page 5 to read as follows: --For each size footbed, two or more different configurations are selectively available, the primary difference being in the portion which corresponds to the arch of the foot. Adequate arch support is important for shoes because it distributes the weight of the foot not only on the ball of the foot, but also on the arch. The footbeds are designed to be removable and can be used interchangeably with different shoes owned by the wearer which have been constructed in accordance with the invention. Optionally they can be secured by adhesive or other means to the insole.--

Page 6, line 21-page 7, line 13, please rewrite the paragraph commencing on line 21 of page 6 and extending to line 13 on page 7 to read as follows: --Figure [[1]] 2 is a side view of a woman's pump in accordance with the invention which is indicated generally by reference numeral 12. As in conventional shoes, the shoe comprises an upper 14 and an outer sole 15. The shoe includes a heel 16 which conventionally may be rigidly connected to or part of a shank device (not shown) which functions to stiffen the shoe between the heel and the forward end, heel 16 functioning to elevate the heel of the wearer. Above the heel and the shank (if provided)

is a concave recess 17. Because the heel bone or calcaneus of the human foot tapers inwardly, the heel, as such, is widest near its bottom and tapers inwardly slightly in an upward direction so that the cavity 17 for the wearer's heel is such that when a normal foot, within proper size range, is placed in cavity 17, the shoe resiliently clings to the heel. In the instant invention, the stiff part of the shoe which defines cavity 17 is somewhat narrower than conventional (as seen in Figure 1) and extends farther forward on the inside than is usual to embrace the entire calcaneus (which is indicated by reference numeral 20 in Figures 2 and 3) and the arch support area of the footbed.--